

SECRETARY HAY'S NOTE TO POWERS

Important Subjects Which Might Be Opportunely Passed Upon.

DISTINCTION IN CONTRABAND

Also Rights and Duties of neutrals and Treatment of Ships of Both Powers Could be More Clearly Defined.

Washington, Nov. 1.—In compliance with orders of the president, Secretary of State Hay has completed and had issued his note to the powers inviting them to another peace conference. In part the note says:

"The annual conference of the Interparliamentary union was held this year in St. Louis in appropriate connection with the World's fair. Its deliberations were marked by the same noble devotion to the cause of peace and to the welfare of humanity which had inspired its former meetings. By the unanimous vote of delegates, active or retired members of every parliament in Europe, with two exceptions, certain resolutions were adopted."

Present War No War.

"These resolutions were presented to the president by a numerous delegation of the Interparliamentary union. The president announced that he would, at an early day, invite the other



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invited nations, parties to The Hague convention, to reassemble with a view to pushing forward the work already begun at The Hague.

"While at the present moment no armistice between the parties now contending is in sight, the fact of an existing war is no reason why the nations should relax the efforts they have so successfully made hitherto toward the adoption of rules of conduct which may make more remote the chances of future wars between them."

Ask Other States to.

"Among the broader general questions affecting the right and justice of the relation of neutrals states, which were at The Hague relegated to a future conference [see p. 10]. The rights and duties of neutral, the inviolability of private property in naval warfare, and the bombardment of ports, towns and villages by a naval force. The other matters mentioned in the final act take the form of suggestions for consideration by interested governments."

"Other matters closely affecting the rights of neutrals are: The distinction to be made between absolute and conditional contraband of war and the inviolability of the official and private correspondence of neutrals."

"As for the duties of neutrals toward the belligerent, the field is scarcely less broad. One aspect deserves mention from the prominence it has acquired during recent times, namely, the treatment due to refugee belligerent ships in neutral ports."

"It may also be desirable to consider and adopt a procedure by which states non-signatory to the original acts of The Hague conferences may become adhering parties."

NOTE WAS WELL RECEIVED

Diplomatic Corps Thinks Favorably of Secretary Hay's Plan to Convene Peace Conference.

Washington, Nov. 1.—Secretary Hay's note to the powers, inviting them to convene another conference at The Hague, has been very cordially received by the diplomatic corps. The majority of the embassies and delegations whose governments have received the invitation have personally informed their foreign offices that the call is entirely independent of the present war, and in no sense can be considered as a step in the direction of intervention in that conflict.

Although they have not yet received any official expression from their governments, several European diplomats of rank Monday predicted that the note would call forth cordial replies from the European chanceries, or at least the neutrality of them.

THE CAMPAIGN IN THE EAST

New York Will Witness a Battle Royal all This Week.

Both of the Great Parties Will Make a Supreme Effort to Carry the Empire State.

New York, Nov. 1.—Full steam will be put on by the Republicans for a final campaign of New York state during the coming week, for mass meetings a night having been planned.

Secretary Taft, Senator Shaw and probably Secretary Hay will storm the upstate cities early in the week, and will direct their last fire at the democratic fortifications in Greater New York, while National Chairman Cartegena is to hurry back from Chicago to at least join his presence, if not to speak at Rockland's riding academy in this city Friday night. Monday night the Republican Business Men's and Union County leagues were booked for rally for Roosevelt at Carnegie Hall, with Secretary Taft as the star orator. Friday night Eliza Root will make her final appeal at Brooklyn, which will probably end the republican oratory in this city. Saturday, Sunday and Monday will be devoted to arranging to bring out Turnback you.

With Judge Parker on the stump nearly every night during the week, the windup of the democratic campaign promises to be exciting. In this state hundreds of meetings will be held every night. Tammany district leaders have been directed to pull the lever out to the last notch. The Parker meeting at Madison Square garden Monday night was designed to represent the supreme effort of the democrats. Judge Parker making his first appearance on the stump aside from his address to visiting delegations at Rosemont.

It is expected to give that impetus to the rising tide which democrats are now confident is with them and which they expect to see grow in surprising proportions before the end of the week as the result of Judge Parker's appearance on the stump, together with a great number of other meetings, at which many famous democrats are to speak, including ex-President Cleveland.

The democratic managers are confident that Parker will carry New York, and are predicting 280 votes for him in the electoral college.

CHAMPION ELECTION BET

Over a Million Dollars' Worth of Property Staked on the Election.

It Has Been Made at Silver City, New Mexico, and the Bets Placed in Europe.

Washington, Nov. 1.—"Perhaps the largest bet recorded this year," said a western man, "was recently made at Silver City, between V. C. Price, general manager of a mining company of Tracy City, New Mexico, and Charles M. Shannon, proprietor of a newspaper at Silver City.

"Mr. Price bet a gold mill recently erected at a cost of \$100,000, and mines and other property, including a mercantile house, taking the Roosevelt side, against large copper mines and buildings at Clifton, the latter being on the Parker side.

"The necessary paper to have been made out and placed in escrow, pending the result of the election. The property at Clifton, represented by Shannon, is valued at \$600,000, the present owners having once refused \$400,000 for it. The property staked on Roosevelt is in fine condition and is receiving regularly monthly shipments of gold bullion. This is undoubtedly the largest bet that will be made on the election this year."

"Mr. Shannon held in official position under Mr. Cleveland when he was president. Shannon won large sums on Cleveland twice and lost on Harrison and McKinley's first election."

CONDITION IS FAVORABLE

Japanese Minister Takahira as Yet Has Shown No Unfavorable Conditions.

New York, Nov. 1.—Dr. William T. Hull, after visiting Minister Takahira Monday night, authorized the following statement:

"The condition of the patient is favorable. His condition is just what should be expected in the natural progress of the disease. It will be possible, I believe, to make a more positive and definite statement by Tuesday night."

All the members of the minister's suite were visibly encouraged by this news. Mr. Hanahan, third secretary of the Washington legation, at once telegraphed the statement to Washington and to Tokyo.

The minister slept soundly during the afternoon, and took as much nourishment as the physicians could ad-

ENGINEERS STRIKE IN ILLINOIS MINES

Eight Hundred Hoisting Engineers Quit Work.

STRIKE AFFECTS 50,000 MEN

Operators Say They Are Confident Many of Their Mines Will Be Running Within a Few Days at the Most.

Chicago, Nov. 1.—With both managers and employees confident of victory, a strike of 800 hoisting engineers in 250 Illinois coal mines in Illinois went into effect at 12 o'clock Monday night. The engineers declare that the strike will be bitter and long, and will result in a victory for them. The operators declare that their victory is a foregone conclusion, and that there will be a break in the ranks of the strikers within a few days. The cause of the strike is the refusal of the engineers to accept a reduction of five and one-half percent in wages, some reduction having been accepted by the miners at the last adjustment of the scale with the operators.

The strike affects about 50,000 workmen, but the operators are confident that many of their mines will be running within a few days.

Eight Hundred Out.

Springfield, Ill., Nov. 1.—Eight hundred hoisting engineers Monday night struck because of disagreement with the Illinois Operators' Association relative to a reduction of wages. This strike involves the enforced idleness of 50,000 miners, and affects 210,000 men, women and children. Only a few of the mines in the state will be in operation. In those few the operators have signed the agreement with the Hoisting Engineers' union.

Forty-Five Mines Closed.

Pearl City, Ill., Nov. 1.—All hoisting engineers of the Peoria district quit work Monday night. The union includes near 150 members of the district. Forty-five hoisting mines will be closed down. The strikers believe that the strike will soon be settled, that the operators will be obliged to sign an agreement. Upward of 8,000 men will be thrown out of work.

Little Effect at Coalmine.

Carbondale, Ill., Nov. 1.—It is not believed that the strike of hoisting engineers, which includes all the miners of the southern Illinois coal fields, will materially interfere with the coal output of this section. All miners engaged have ceased work.

Metcalf Miners With Engineers.

Brownwood, Ill., Nov. 1.—The miners of the Metcalf county shaft here are loaned to the hoisting engineers and will strike if the order is issued by the organization. There are about 400 men employed at the mine here.

COLLAPSE OF MEMPHIS BANK

Negro Porter Believed to Have Been the Only Man Killed, All Others Being Rescued.

Memphis, Tenn., Nov. 1.—With a terrific crash the building occupied by the Continental savings bank, at No. 16 Madison street, collapsed Monday morning, burying several persons in the wreckage.

No far as known, only one person, a negro saloon waiter, was killed.

Joseph Fisher, a tailor, who had a shop in the building, is the only person known to have sustained serious injuries. Fifty workmen who had been making excavations at the corner adjoining the structure, and the office employees, escaped when a crackling noise warned them of the impending collapse.

The building was a four-story office structure.

Several persons have been taken from the wreckage, but no bodies have been found.

The police say that probably twenty persons were buried. Eight have been rescued, including F. Chas, president of the Continental savings bank; F. J. Baum, cashier; Clarence Henningburg, teller, and W. H. Stotts, a real estate dealer. Their injuries are not serious. It is believed that excavation recently made at Nos. 15 and 16 Madison street caused the wreck.

The dead body of Winters Parker, the negro porter, was taken from the cellar of the wrecked building at five o'clock. At six o'clock the police announced it as their belief that no one else would be found in the ruins.

New Appointments By Gov. Davis

Washington, Nov. 1.—Gov. Davis has appointed new mayors, judges, treasurers and secretaries for the municipalities in the canal zone. All of the appointments are natives, with the exception of the judge of Cristobal.



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